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SUBJECT: TRANSPORT PROBLEMS--TROUBLE IN ISRAELI DOMESTIC ECONOMY

1. DIRECTOR-GENERAL HIRAM, MIN OF TRANSPORT, OUTLINED FOR EMBOFFS OCT 16 CURRENT TRANSPORT SITUATION AS IT AFFECTS DOMESTIC ECONOMY. HE SAID BASIC SUPPLIES FOR CONSUMERS WERE CONTINUING TO FLOW WITH FLEET OF 2500 HEAVY-DUTY TRUCKS AND 1500 LIGHT-DUTY TRUCKS CAREFULLY CONTROLLED BY TRANSPORT MINISTRY ON BASIS PRIORITIES PRESCRIBED BY MIN OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE THROUGH INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CONSULTATIONS. PETROL SUPPLIES CONSIDERED ADEQUATE FOR ALL NEEDS FOR CONSIDERABLE PERIOD. SOME PROBLEMS CREATED BY LACK OF EXPERIENCED DRIVERS FOR HEAVY TRUCKS.

2. HE SAID PRINCIPAL NEED WAS FOR ADDITIONAL HEAVY TRUCKS TO TRANSPORT SUPPLIES ESPECIALLY OF FOOD AND FEED FROM PORTS TO PROCESSORS AND FROM PROCESSORS TO RETAILERS. EFFORTS WERE BEING MADE IN US AND EUROPE TO OBTAIN UP TO 1000. HE SAID SAIR#HAD APPROACHED HENRY FORD IN US FOR 600 FINISHED FORD TRUCKS. NEGOTIATIONS WITH AUTOCARS PROCEEDING BUT THEY CAN OFFER ONLY 70 CHASSIS.

3. SECOND RANGE OF NEEDS IS FOR RAILWAY CARS AND

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POSSIBLY SOME DIESEL ENGINE REPLACEMENTS FOR LOCOMOTIVES.

CONTAINER HANDLING EQUIPMENT FOR RAILWAYS ALSO NEEDED.

4. HIRAM APPARENTLY CONTEMPLATES SEA DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED, POINTING OUT THAT ZIM FLEET NOT NOW FULLY UTILIZED AND SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR DELIVERIES. HE HOPES ASSEMBLED TRUCKS CAN BE FOUND PROMPTLY AND SHIPPED QUICKLY.
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